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TEXT OF SOVIET NOTE OF 19 FEBRUARY TO THE UNITED KINGDON EMBASSY,
MOSCOW, ON THE REGIME FOR DIPLOMATS' MOVEMENTS IN THE USSR:

1. "THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USSR HAS DECIDED TO EXTEND THE POSSI-
BILITIES FOR MOVEMENT IN THE TERRITORY OF THE USSR BY HEADS OF
DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS AND MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES, THE
PERSONNEL OF EMBASSIES, MILITARY ATTACHES AND THEIR STAFF,
AND ALSO THE STAFF OF CONSULAR ESTABLISHMENTS.
 2. HEADS OF DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION AND MEMBERS OF THEIR
FAMILIES MAY VISIT BY ANY MEANS OF TRANSPORT THE OPEN TOWNS AND
REGIONS OF THE USSR WITHOUT ANY OBLIGATORY NOTIFICATION TO THE
PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF THE USSR MFA. HEADS OF DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTA-
TIONS MAY, IN CASES OF NECESSITY, TAKE THEIR PERSONAL INTERPRETER
AND PERSONAL DRIVER WITH THEM ON A JOURNEY.
 3. JOURNEYS BY THE PERSONNEL OF EMBASSIES, MILITARY ATTACHES AND
THEIR STAFF MAY BE MADE TO THE OPEN TOWNS AND AREAS OF THE MOSCOW
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OBLAST BY ANY MEANS OF TRASNPOR, ALSO WITHOUT NOTIFICATION TO THE
PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF THE USSR MFA OR TO THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS
DIRECTORATE OF THE USSR MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

4. THE STAFF OF THE FOREIGN REPRESENTATIONS AFORESAID AND ALSO THE STAFF OF CONSULAR ESTABLISHMENTS, WHEN MAKING JOURNEYS BY ANY MEANS OF TRANSPORT TO TOWNS AND POPULATED PLACES WHICH ARE ON ROUTES OPEN FOR THE MOVEMENT OF FOREIGN MOTOR TOURISTS, NOTIFY THE PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF THE USSR MFA AND THE MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF UNION REPUBLICS, THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIRECTORATE OF THE USSR MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OR DIPLOMATIC AGENCIES OF THE USSR MFA IN WRITING ACCORDING TO THE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FORM 24 HOURS BEFORE THE START OF THE JOURNEY, 8 HOURS OF WHICH MUST COINCIDE WITH THE NORMAL WORKING DAY.

5. IN THE CASE OF JOURNEYS BY THE STAFF OF EMBASSIES AND OTHER FOREIGN REPRESENTATIONS AFORESAID TO THE REMAINING TOWNS AND REGIONS OF THE USSR OPEN FOR VISITS BY FOREIGNERS, NOTIFICATIONS IN WRITING INDICATING THE ROUTE OF THE JOURNEY, THE PLACE AND DURATION OF STOPS, AND ALSO THE MEANS OF TRANSPORT ARE SENT AS APPROPRIATE EITHER TO THE PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR AND UNION REPUBLICS, TO THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIRECTORATE OF THE USSR MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OR TO THE DIPLOMATIC AGENCIES OF THE USSR MFA 48 HOURS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE JOURNEY (THIS PERIOD NOT INCLUDING NON-WORKING DAYS).

6. THE MINISTRY REQUESTS EMBASSIES TO BE GUIDED IN THEIR JOURNEYS BY THE LIST OF TOWNS AND REGIONS OF THE USSR CLOSED TO FOREIGN VISITORS IN FORCE AT THE PRESENT TIME.

7. THIS PROCEDURE FOR TRAVEL BY FOREIGNERS IN THE TERRITORY OF THE USSR IS INTRODUCED FROM 5 APRIL 1974"

END TEXT. RUMSFELD

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